

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTIONS

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Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages
(Price Per Hundredweight)
Week Ending Wednesday, September 24, 2003
Supplied By Market Staff

NOTE: Because of early presstime, averages do not include Thursday's prices.

	This Wk	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Steers, Choice 2-3	90.50	91.75	64.85
Heifers, Choice 2-3, few Prime	89.25	87.75	No Test
Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean	47.00	49.25	42.15
Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean	42.00	44.50	38.50
Bulls, YG 1,	55.00	58.00	51.60
Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday	45.25	44.00	28.00
Lams, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb.	105.00	106.00	76.00

Slaughter Calves: Standard and Utility 80-135 lbs 60.00-74.00; 55-80 lbs 20.00-50.00. Returning to Feed: Graded Number One Holstein Bulls package 121 lbs 107.00; 90-115 lbs 110.00-120.00; 80-80 lbs 80.00-87.00; package 73 lbs 50.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls package 113 lbs 102.00; few head 103 lbs 120.00; few packages 102 lbs 100.00-110.00; few packages 95 lbs 105.00-107.00; 90-95 lbs 90.00-100.00; 83-84 lbs 50.00-62.00; package 74 lbs 42.00. Graded Number Three Holstein Bulls 95-110 lbs 69.00-78.00; 80-82 lbs 65.00-68.00. Graded Number One Heifers package 114 lbs 435.00; package 103 lbs 590.00; package 93 lbs 670.00; package 84 lbs 330.00; few head 73 lbs 100.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Heifers package 106 lbs 390.00; package 91 lbs 560.00; package 73 lbs 120.00; few 62 lbs 40.00.

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003
Report Supplied By USDA
No report because of early presstime.

Lancaster County Weekly Cattle

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Friday, Sept. 26, 2003
No report because of early presstime.

New Holland Dairy Sale

New Holland Sales Stables
Report Supplied by Auction
Wednesday, September 24, 2003
91 DAIRY COWS, 102 HEIFERS, 12 BULLS. MARKET STEADY.
LOCAL FRESH COWS 625.00-1425.00, 1 AT 1775.00.
LOCAL SPRINGERS 635.00-1450.00.
BETTER FRESH COWS 1625.00-1775.00.
LARGE HEIFERS 1400.00-1475.00.
SHORT BRED HEIFERS 925.00-1275.00.
OPEN BREDDING AGE HEIFERS 985.00-1075.00.
BULLS 275.00-810.00, PUREBREDS 825.00-1085.00.
UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 1200.00-1625.00.
FRESH HEIFERS 610.00-1550.00, FEW 1625.00-1675.00.
SMALL HEIFERS 500.00-1350.00.
SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 710.00-900.00.
SMALLER OPEN HEIFERS 185.00-600.00.

New Holland Horses

New Holland Sales Stables
Report Supplied by Auction
Monday, September 22, 2003
211 HEAD, BETTER HORSE MARKET, STRONG.
DRIVING HORSES 410.00-1275.00.
RIDING HORSES 400.00-950.00.
REGISTERED RIDING 760.00-1575.00, 1 AT 2900.00.
BETTER RIDING 1900.00-2000.00.
PONIES 200.00-350.00.
LARGE PONIES 525.00-685.00.
COLTS 185.00-260.00.
REGISTERED COLTS 1 AT 410.00.

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Monday, September 22, 2003
Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep Goats

MONDAY	421	257	642	1389	1410
WEEK AGO	488	237	559	1619	1874
LAST YEAR	373	146	316	843	1464

Compared to Thursday, Lean slaughter cows sold steady to mostly 1.00 lower. Fleshier (65-85 percent lean) cows sold fully 1.00 lower, to mostly 2.00 lower. Buyer demand and attendance were both light at the early week run. The quality of the run was comprised of mainly average to plain quality Lean cows.

Slaughter bulls sold mostly 1.00-4.00 lower. The cattle supply included 198 head of slaughter cows, 48 slaughter bulls, 53 slaughter steers, 21 slaughter heifers, with 101 head of feeder cattle.

Note: The New Holland Sales Stables will be holding a special feeder cattle sale on Friday September the 26th at 6:00 pm. There is expected to be several nice consignments of feeders on offer.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean Weight Bulk Low Dressing Premium White 65-70 Over 1600 lbs few 51.25-52.00 46.00-48.50 Breakers 70-75 Over 1400 lbs 46.00-49.75 42.00-45.25 Boners 75-80 Over 1200 lbs 42.00-45.75 39.00-43.00 Lean (Hi-Yield) 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 41.25-43.00 36.00-40.00 Lean 85-90 Over 1000 lbs 36.50-40.75 32.75-36.00 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 34.50-37.00 27.00-32.50.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1105-1960 lbs 49.50-59.00. Yield Grade 2 1235-1515 lbs 41.75-49.25.

Calves: Compared to Thursday, slaughter calves sold with a lower undertone on a light early test. Holstein bull calves going into special-fed veal barns opened with a firmer undertone. There were not enough heifers to fully test the market.

Slaughter Calves: Choice couple 295 lbs 82.00-90.00; several 190-280 lbs 106.00-116.00. Standard and Utility early 55-110 lbs 32.00-62.00, weaker 12.00-30.00. Calves Going Into Special-fed Veal Barns: Holstein Bulls

90-125 lbs 110.00-147.00. Plainer-type Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 82.00-110.00. Weaker Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 65.00-85.00.

HOGS: Barrows and gilts 1.00 higher, to nearly 2.00 higher at times, sows were mostly .75 to 1.00 higher on a run that was comprised of mainly lower quality sows, boars were fully steady. BARROWS AND GILTS: 49-54% lean 220-270 lbs 44.50-45.75, fancier singles 46.25-47.50, 270-300 lbs 43.75-45.25, 45-50% lean 220-270 lbs 42.75-44.85 includes several nice groups, 300-350 lbs 37.35-40.60.

SOWS: 1-3 300-400 lbs 32.00, 400-500 lbs 32.00-34.00, 500-700 lbs 34.00-35.75.

BOARS: 300-700 lbs 12.00-13.00, 200-300 lbs 22.50-25.50.

Sheep and Lambs: Compared to last Monday, slaughter lambs sold mostly steady. Lambs under 50 lbs continue to be scarce, with 50-70 lbs lambs in short supply. Demand for 90-120 lbs lambs was very cyclic, with what started as heavy demand moved down hill with a 5.00-7.00 price shift from beginning to end of the sale. Slaughter sheep sold steady on a moderate supply, while slaughter bucks and yearlings were not well tested.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 few 40-50 lbs 110.00-122.00, fancy 130.00-136.00; 50-60 lbs 114.00-126.00, fancy 126.00-128.00; 70-80 lbs 114.00-122.00, fancy 130.00-130.00; 80-90 lbs 100.00-116.00, fancy 120.00-130.00; 90-100 lbs 104.00-114.00, few up to 120.00-124.00; 100-125 lbs 94.00-116.00; 125-150 lbs 86.00-94.00, few 102.00-104.00. Good 2-4 40-50 lbs 96.00; 50-80 lbs 100.00-110.00; 80-100 lbs 87.00-100.00; 100-150 lbs 77.00-85.00.

Slaughter Sheep: Utility and Good 1-3 sheep 70-100 lbs 44.00-48.00; 100-150 lbs 44.00-48.00, weaker 34.00-38.00; 150-200 lbs 44.00-50.00. Bucks few 150-200 lbs 61.00-66.00.

Slaughter Goats: Compared to last Monday, Kid goats sold steady to firm, Yearlings were not well tested; however a lower undertone was noted. Nannies and Billies sold with a lower undertone. Wethers sold steady to firm. Buyer interest was very cyclic throughout the sale, however remained consistent for all grades of Kid goats through the duration of the sale. All goats are sold by the head, with estimated weights. Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 58.00-64.00; 40-60 lbs 68.00-76.00; 60-80 lbs 70.00-80.00. Selection 2

20-40 lbs 32.00-48.00, few pigmies 20.00-26.00; 40-60 lbs 48.00-64.00, few pigmies 50.00-54.00; 68.00-70.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 24.00-36.00, few light and weaker 12.00-22.00; 40-60 lbs 40.00-44.00, few weaker 24.00-30.00. Yearlings: Selection 1 few 60-80 lbs 69.00-76.00. Selection 2 few 60-80 lbs 48.00-58.00, few fancier 68.00. Selection 3 few 60-80 lbs 38.00-44.00. Nannies: Selection 1 individual 70-100 lbs 72.00; 100-150 lbs 80.00-90.00. Selection 2 50-70 lbs 40.00-50.00, pigmies 30.00-44.00; 70-100 lbs 48.00-60.00; 100-150 lbs 58.00-70.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 30.00-38.00; 70-100 lbs 38.00-49.00. Billies: Selection 1 individual 100-150 lbs 88.00; individual 150-250 lbs 104.00; 150-250 lbs 128.00-145.00, few 155.00-166.00. Selection 2 70-80 lb 66.00-78.00, few pigmies 30.00-48.00; 100-150 lbs 86.00-98.00; 150-250 lbs 104.00-118.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 50.00-64.00; 100-150 lbs 70.00-76.00. Wethers: 50-70 lbs 58.00-68.00, fancier 70.00-74.00, few weaker 44.00-48.00; 70-100 lbs 64.00-78.00, few fancy 78.00-88.00, few fleshy 52.00-56.00; 100-150 lbs 72.00-90.00, heavier offerings 82.00-104.00.

Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.
September 22-23, 2003
Report Supplied By USDA

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THIS WEEK	725	846	1	2
LAST WEEK	876	447	7	1
LAST YEAR	807	848	0	0

Compared to Thursday, a mixed run of slaughter steers sold steady to weak on Monday. The Tuesday run was made up of 85 head of steers, therefore the light market was not well tested. However, there was definitely a lower undertone noted. The better-fed steers are still able to bring in the 90's, but the bottom end of the Choice cattle seem to be slipping back into the upper 80's; although the market is still miles ahead of where it was this time a year ago.

Holstein steers sold with a lower undertone as well, with slaughter heifers trading steady to .50 higher. Slaughter cows sold 3.00-5.00 lower, with a light run of slaughter bulls trading

2.00-4.00 lower. The two-day run included an estimated 232 head of slaughter steers, 59 slaughter heifers, 371 slaughter cows, 17 slaughter bulls, and 46 head of feeder cattle.

Slaughter Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1135-1450 lbs mostly 93.00-97.00, which were all singles, full 90.25-94.00 on Tuesday. Choice 2-3 1170-1490 lbs 88.00-93.00, majority 89.75-93.00, from 88.00-91.50 on Tuesday. Choice 4 1185-1460 lbs 84.75-89.25. High Select and low Choice 2-3 1065-1405 lbs 85.00-88.00, few up to 90.50. Select 1-2 1015-1475 lbs 80.00-85.75, heavier muscled 86.00-90.00, couple high yielding and heavy 1500-1510 lbs 82.00-85.00.

Holstein Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1355-1545 lbs 80.00-84.50. Choice 2-3 1190-1575 lbs 79.00-82.25. High Select and low Choice 2-3 1170-1580 lbs 74.50-78.50. Select 1-2 1165-1400 lbs 68.75-74.00. Standard 1-2 1080-1445 lbs 58.00-65.00, with some returning to feed.

Slaughter Heifers: Choice 2-3 1025-1280 lbs 87.00-91.50, YG 3-4 83.75-87.50. High Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1235 lbs 80.50-83.75.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean Weight Bulk Low Dressing Premium White 65-70 over 1600 lbs 50.00-52.50 45.75-47.75 High Dressing indiv 57.00 Breakers 70-75 over 1400 lbs 44.25-49.00 40.00-44.00 High Dressing 50.00-51.25 Boners 75-80 over 1200 lbs 38.75-43.50 35.00-38.75 High Dressing few 45.50-46.25 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-90 over 1200 lbs 39.25-43.25 Lean 85-90 over 1000 lbs 33.00-38.00 29.75-33.00 Lean (Light-wgt) 85-90 over 750 lbs 30.25-34.00 25.50-29.50

Slaughter Bull: Yield Grade 1-2 1145-2090 lbs 51.75-56.25, low dressing 42.00-45.75. Feeder Steers: Large 1 package 600 lbs 91.00. Feeder Heifers: Large 1 couple 540 lbs 85.50. Large 2-3 package 520 lbs 78.00; package 675 lbs 72.00; package 775 lbs 78.00.

Calves: Compared to last Tuesday's sale, slaughter calves sold mostly steady. Graded Holstein bull calves suitable for special fed veal barns sold steady to weak, with the exception of middle weight (85-100 lbs) Graded Number Two bulls trading steady to firm. Graded Holstein Heifer calves sold mostly steady to sharply higher on weights between 90-105 lbs, topping out at 670.00.

Bidding was active with good buyer attendance. The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture graded 832 head of heifers and bulls for the sale, with an estimated 76 percent of the graded run going back to feed.

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